What is claimed is:

A method of transmitting non-textual data, comprising:
 uploading the size of a remote monitor to a host;
 calculating a display size for the non-textual data on the remote monitor;
 producing information capable of rendering the non-textual data at a plurality
 of resolutions for the calculated size;

transmitting the information;

rendering the non-textual data at a resolution based on the amount of received information.

- 2. The method of claim 1 wherein the information includes wavelet coefficients.
- 3. A method of transmitting a data sequence over a network, comprising:
 uploading the parameters of a remote output device to a host;
 selecting wavelet coefficients of the data sequence for transmission according to the uploaded parameters; and

progressively transmitting coefficients until the parameters of the output device are met.

- 4. The method of claim 3 additionally comprising the step of transmitting additional coefficients when the size of the remote window is increased.
- 5. The method of claim 3 wherein the data sequence includes one of a onedimensional, two-dimensional and three-dimensional images, music, speech, and video sequences.
- 6. The method of claim 5 wherein the data sequence includes a three-dimensional image, said method additionally comprising the step of decomposing the three-dimensional image into a plurality of wavelet coefficients of two-dimensional perspectives.

- 7. The method of claim 3 additionally comprising the steps of examining the importance of coefficients and selecting for transmission the most important coefficients based on the resolution of the remote window.
- 8. The method of claim 3 wherein the coefficients are capable of adapting to arbitrary remote window dimensions.
- 9. The method of claim 3 additionally comprising the step of progressively receiving the transmitted coefficients and reconstructing the data sequence.
- 10. The method of claim 9 additionally comprising the step of recording the indices of the coefficients.
- 11. The method of claim 10 wherein said step of recording includes the step of recording at both the host and remote sites.